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THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to U.S. Patent Nos. 4,775,974, 4,793,813, 5,157,662 and European Patent Document No. 0 483 547.

<u>REMARKS</u>

Each of the listed documents was recently cited in the European

Communication of a counterpart foreign patent application corresponding to the above-referenced application. The European Communication was mailed on March 14, 2001. A copy of the Communication is enclosed. It will be appreciated that the documents were cited in the Information Disclosure Statement filed April



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27, 2000; accordingly, no Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith. The documents RECEIVED

Technology Center 2100 cited in the Communication may be pertinent for the reasons noted therein.

FORMAL MATTERS

Any fee required in connection with this paper should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0383. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached at (301) 428-7172. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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